

MINUTES
City Council Meeting
Monday, June 17, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Holder welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Opening: Councilmember Cody offered the opening prayer and Mayor Holder invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call:

Members: Mayor Holder presided. **Council Members:** Don Bethune, Bruce Campbell, Rosetta Cody, Scott George and Bessie Kicklighter. **Absent:** Judy Shuman

Staff: Brian Johnson, City Manager; Ron Feldner, Deputy City Manager; Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Ben Brengman, IT Director; Pam Franklin, HR Director; Cory Salley, Finance Director; Scott Allison PED Director; Charles Draeger, Water Operations Director; David Lyons, Chief of Police; Jimmy Crosby, Fire Chief; Cliff Ducey, Parks & Recreation Director and Benny Gooce, Public Works Director.

Mayor Holder said City Council held a pre-agenda session prior to tonight's meeting. He said no decisions or votes were made during the pre-agenda session.

Informal Public Comment: Mayor Holder opened the floor to receive informal public comment.

Mr. Rob Wilkerson, resident and a former police department employee said I would like to propose that City Council look into charging the corporations of apartment complexes and trailer parks a rental fee. He said I used to work on the police force in Garden City and 25% to 35% of our calls were to apartment complexes and trailer parks. He said I am not recommending that you put the fee on the resident, but on the corporations. He said there are approximately 2200 units and if you charged \$20 per month that would help generate revenue.

Reverend Gary Monroe, 46 Hawkinsville Road, said I would like to thank Mayor, City Council, Chief Lyons, Officer O'Neal and others for their assistance during the loss of my mother. He said everyone's efforts were greatly appreciate by me and my family.

There being no further questions or comments, Mayor Holder closed the informal public comment portion of the meeting.

Public Hearings:

Annual Capital Improvements Element (CIE) Update: The Planning Director presented for public comment the Schedule of Improvements and Financial Report for the Annual Capital Improvements Element (CIE) Update.

There being no questions or comments, Mayor Holder closed the public hearing on the Annual CIE Update.

PC1306, Text Amendment: Mayor Holder said we have for public comment on an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of Garden City, Georgia, as amended, by amending Chapter 90, Article I thereof, to define the term "Street" as well as the Street Classifications of "Major Arterial Street," "Secondary Arterial Street," "Collector Street," "Minor and Marginal Access Street," and "Private Street;" to assign Street Classifications to the City's Public Rights of Way; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Mayor Holder asked if there were any questions or comments on the text amendment. There being no questions or comments, Mayor Holder closed the public hearing on the text amendment.

City Council Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Cody, City Council voted unanimously to approve the city council minutes dated 6/3/13.

Staff Reports:

Director of Finance presented the Finance Department's Monthly Status Report.

Director of Water Operations presented the Water Operations Department's Monthly Status Report.

Chief of Police presented the Police Department's Monthly Status Report.

Fire Chief presented the Fire Department's Monthly Status Report.

City Manager said he had no updates to present to City Council at this time.

Items for Consideration:

First Reading, Street Classifications Ordinance: Clerk of Council read the first reading of an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of Garden City, Georgia, as amended, by amending Chapter 90, Article I thereof, to define the term "Street" as well as the Street Classifications of "Major Arterial Street," "Secondary Arterial Street," "Collector Street," "Minor and Marginal Access Street," and "Private Street;" to assign Street Classifications to the City's Public Rights of Way; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Cody, City Council voted unanimously to approve the ordinance on the first reading.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, City Council voted unanimously to suspend the rules of council and hold the second reading of the ordinance.

Second Reading, Street Classifications Ordinance: Clerk of Council read the second reading of an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances of Garden City, Georgia, as amended, by amending Chapter 90, Article I thereof, to define the term "Street" as well as the Street Classifications of "Major Arterial Street," "Secondary Arterial Street," "Collector Street," "Minor and Marginal Access Street," and "Private Street;" to assign Street Classifications to the City's Public Rights of Way; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the ordinance on the second reading.

Adjournment: Upon motion by Mayor Holder, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.

Transcribed by Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council

Adopted by City Council: 7/1/13